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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: BERLIN AND DIRECT ELECTIONS TO EUROPEAN
PARLIAMENT

REFS: (A) BONN 11288; (B) USBER 1757

1. BONN GROUP CONSIDERED DRAFT BK/O AGAIN JULY 12
IN LIGHT OF CHANGES PROPOSED BY PARIS (UK AND US HAD
NO INSTRUCTIONS). IN AN OBVIOUS EFFORT TO MAKE
REFERENCE TO ALLIED RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES FORE-
MOST IN THE BK/O, FRENCH PROPOSED INCLUDING THAT
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PHRASE BOTH AT THE BEGINNING OF PARAGRAPH 1 OF THE
BONN GROUP DRAFT OF THE BK/O (REF A) AND AGAIN IN
THE MIDDLE OF THE PARAGRAPH, WHILE DELETING IT FROM
THE SECOND PARAGRAPH. THIS WAS CLEARLY UNACCEPTABLE
TO THE GERMANS. AS A COMPROMISE, THE US REP SUGGESTED
GOING BACK TO THE DRAFT PREPARED BY BERLIN MISSIONS
AND HAVING THE FIRST PART OF PARAGRAPH 1 OF THE

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MISSIONS' DRAFT (REF B) READ: "THE ALLIED KOMMANDATURA APPROVES, SUBJECT TO ALLIED RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES, THE EXTENSION TO BERLIN...". OTHERWISE, THE MISSIONS' DRAFT WOULD REMAIN UNCHANGED. WE NOTED THAT THE ONLY APPARENT DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE FRENCH AND GERMAN PREFERENCES APPEARED TO BE PRESENTATIONAL, NOT SUBSTANTIVE, AND THAT THE SUGGESTED COMPROMISE SHOULD BE SOMETHING ALL COULD ACCEPT SINCE THE AMBIGUITY OF THE PHRASE "TO THE EXTENT COMPATIBLE" WAS ELIMINATED. WE ALSO NOTED THE DESIRABILITY OF PROMPT ACTION SINCE THE FRG WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THE BK/O ISSUED BY THE MISSIONS AND TAKEN OVER IN BERLIN BEFORE THE BERLIN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TAKES ITS SUMMER RECESS, REPORTEDLY ON JULY 21.

2. AFTER A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF DESULTORY DISCUSSION, THE BONN GROUP AGREED AD REF TO THE US PROPOSAL. THE GERMANS DID NOT BRING UP THE QUESTION OF "ELECT" VICE "SELECT" SO THE USE OF "SELECT" CAN BE TAKEN AS ACCEPTED.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: DEPARTMENT'S APPROVAL OF PROPOSED BK/O (REF B), AS AMENDED BY BONN GROUP PROPOSAL ABOVE.
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